

**PATENT**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Frank S. Caccavale

Serial No.: 10/722,146                      Confirm 7027

Filed: 11/25/2003

For:    Method and Apparatus for Load  
         Balancing of Distributed Processing Units  
         Based on Performance Metrics

Group Art Unit: 2196

Examiner: Truong, Camquy

Atty. Dkt. No.: 10830.0106.NP

AMENDMENT IN REPLY TO FINAL OFFICIAL ACTION

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the final Official Action dated Oct. 8, 2010, please amend the above-identified application as follows. Please charge any deficiency in any required fee to EMC Corporation Deposit Account 05-0889.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 13 of this paper.